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"America the Meeting Place of the Races," "Forces Making for World Organization," "The Church and the New Internationalism." The pamphlet makes an admirable basis for the study of the reconstructive influences in Christianity throughout the world. It is a new approach to foreign missions and has a very great advantage in making plain that what we call foreign missions is really the great social movement in which Western civilization is carrying its ideals as well as its industrialism and militarism to the Eastern world.

The Christian Man, the Church and the War.

By Robert E. Speer. New York: Macmillan, 1918. Pp. 105. \$0.60.

Here we have another small volume much more important than its size would indicate. In three chapters Mr. Speer discusses "The Christian Man and the War," "The Church and the War," and "The World Problem and Christianity." He believes that the Christian religion will work in a time of war and he proceeds with direct and trenchant methods to show how the adjustment must be made. At the end we feel sure that this is no time in which to give Christianity up; this is the very age in which the Christian religion is to exert its supreme influence upon life. Mr. Speer faces things as they are. He expects that sometime war, like thumbscrews and slavery, will be regarded as pitiable anachronisms; meantime, however, war is here and it is our task to face the facts and make it work out a beneficent end. Mr. Speer's democracy is sturdy and practical. He does not demand perfection; he expects mistakes. "There is no more divine right behind a king than there is behind a carpenter or coal miner or bricklayer, and the massed conscience and conviction of many common men honestly seeking their onward way we trust more than the will and wisdom of any king." Mr. Speer has made a genuine contribution to the definition of the aims of the war and the genius of the Christian religion in this book.

The Record of a Quaker Conscience. Cyrus

Pringle's Diary. Introduction by Rufus M. Jones. New York: Macmillan, 1918. Pp. 93. \$0.60.

Cyrus Pringle was a Vermont Quaker drafted for service in the Union Army in 1853. Against all efforts to use his activities in hospital work, he bore his "witness" against war by steadfast refusal to accept any substitute duty that should imply his sanction of what his conscience pronounced against that law of Christ. The little diary is terse and pathetic. It reveals the tender heart of Lincoln and on the whole the magnanimous spirit of the army officers. The pro-

gram of the Quakers in England during the present war seems to us far more consistent and Christian; but this record of uncompromising loyalty to conscience is stimulating reading. Perhaps it is more agreeable to read than the actual experiences were for the officers who had to deal with Cyrus Pringle.

The Tender Pilgrims. By Edgar DeWitt Jones.

Chicago: Christian Century Press, 1917. Pp. 88. \$0.85.

With healthy sentiment and in intimate fashion the writer appeals for a finer appreciation of the tender character of childhood and more careful conservation of its precious values. One reads the book with a kindling heart and feels again the worth of a soul that can win the love of little children as Jesus did. This would make a useful gift to parents and teachers.

Making Good in The Ministry. By A. T.

Robertson. New York: Revell, 1918. Pp. 174. \$1.00.

A peculiar interest attaches to this book because it is the author's twentieth volume and is issued on the thirtieth anniversary of the beginning of his work as a teacher. It is a study of the slender thread of history connected with the name of John Mark. From this Professor Robertson draws out not only a wealth of material that may be inferred from the references to the character itself, but a somewhat extensive treatment of the gospel of Mark. There are suggestive hints to the preacher scattered through the book; but it is chiefly a study of the work of Mark, "Peter's son and interpreter," and of the "wonderful gospel" that bears his name. Professor Robertson holds the Petrine authorship of II Peter and dates Mark between 50 and 55 A.D. He also thinks that the gospel as we have it is practically in its primitive form. He leaves Mark with Paul according to II Tim. 4:11. There is an excellent bibliography. We prefer to find the notes at the foot of the page rather than scattered through the text in parentheses. The book is an interesting and affectionate message from one who will always be honored as a teacher of American ministers.

Essentials of Evangelism. By Oscar L. Joseph.

New York: Doran, 1918. Pp. 167. \$1.25.

Sometimes the most familiar terms are used with little sense of their fundamental meaning. "Evangelism" is one of the words that must be rescued from the abuse of its best friends. In the largest sense it refers to the whole reproductive work of the Christian organism. A book like this goes far to set forth a clear and con-